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SUBJECT: LOS: INFORMAL MEETING OF NEGOTIATING GROUP I
OF COMMITTEE II (ECONOMIC ZONE), A.M., 24 AUGUST 1976

1. NEGOTIATING GROUP I MET TO CONTINUE DEBATE
ON ONE SUB-TOPIC NOT YET REFERRED TO A MORE LIMITED CONSUL-
TATIVE GROUP, I.E., RIGHTS OF COSTAL AND OTHER (LANDLOCKED
AND GEOGRAPHICALLY DISADVANTAGED) STATES IN THE ECONOMIC
ZONE. DEBATE HAS BROADENED INTO THE SUBJECT OF FISHERIES
IN GENERAL.

2. ON ISSUE OF LL/GDS ACCESS, CUBA AGAIN PROPOSED ACCESS
BY DEVELOPING GEOGRAPHICALLY DISADVANTAGED STATES TO LIVING
RESOURCES OF STATES IN REGION, AND GDR, SUPPORTED BY BULGARIA
AND CAMEROON, PROPOSED THAT DEVELOPED GDS BE PERMITTED TO
CONTINUE TRADITIONAL FISHERIES IN ECONOMIC ZONES OF DEVE-
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LOPED STATES. GDR PROPOSED DEFINING A GEOGRAPHICALLY

DISADVANTAGED STATE AS ONE WHICH DERIVES NO SUBSTANTIAL BENEFIT FROM THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ECONOMIC ZONE.

3. SESSION HIGHLIGHTED BY A CONCERTED ATTACK ON THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 53, RSNT (HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES). ECUADOR, AFTER INDICATING THAT ARTICLE 53 IS UNACCEPTABLE AS IT IS, PROPOSED REVISION WHICH WOULD INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

- A. COASTAL STATE WOULD HAVE SAME RIGHTS WITH RESPECT TO HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES IN ITS ECONOMIC ZONE AS IT HAS WITH RESPECT TO OTHER SPECIES,
- B. THE COASTAL STATE SHALL DETERMINE THE ALLOWABLE CATCH IN ITS ZONE ON THE BASIS OF ITS SCIENTIFIC DATA, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT SCIENTIFIC DATA PROVIDED BY REGIONAL OR SUBREGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS,
- C. SURPLUS TO COASTAL STATE HARVESTING CAPACITY SHALL BE MADE AVAILABLE TO STATES OF CONTINENT, REGION OR SUBREGION,
- D. FOREIGN FLAG VESSELS SHALL PAY FEES TO THE COASTAL STATE AS CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION,
- E. UNLESS ALL STATES AFFECTED AGREE OTHERWISE, DETERMINATIONS OF A FISHERIES ORGANIZATION WOULD REQUIRE APPROVAL BY TWO-THIRDS, AND IN ANY EVENT REQUIRE THE APPROVAL OF THE COASTAL STATE WHOSE ECONOMIC ZONE IS AFFECTED, AND
- F. THE COASTAL STATE WILL ENFORCE THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF THE COASTAL STATE AND THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION.

ECUADOR SUPPORTED BY ARGENTINA, CAPE VERDE, IVORY COAST, CHILE (UNENTHUSIASTICALLY), CHINA, MADAGASCAR, COLOMBIA, PAKISTAN (IN PRINCIPLE), CONGO, PANAMA, PERU, LIBYA, ?AZIL (IN PRINCIPLE), INDONESIA, AND PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF KOREA. SIGNS WERE SHOWN THAT THIS QUESTION COULD BE PICKED UP BY HARD-LINE COASTAL STATES WITHOUT A REAL INTEREST IN THE LIMITED ISSUE AS A RALLYING POINT WITH RESPECT TO THE LEGAL STATUS OF THE ECONOMIC ZONE.
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